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DAYDREAM ISLAND RESORT TO HOST THE 2019 WHITSUNDAY TOURISM AWARDS

Tourism Whitsundays is pleased to announce the annual Whitsunday Tourism Awards will this year be held at the newly refurbished and reopened Daydream Island Resort on Saturday 26th October.

Tourism Whitsundays CEO Tash Wheeler is delighted that Daydream Island Resort has this year offered to host this exciting celebration on the tourism calendar.

“We’re so thrilled to be taking the awards to Daydream Island Resort! It’s a massive coup for our award ceremony to be held in such an iconic Whitsundays landmark, especially given the extensive renovation that has been made to the island thanks to CCIG Investments who have invested not only into the resort but into the region”.

This year Tourism Whitsundays is also pleased to announce a stellar line up of entertainment, having confirmed Gold Coast band Ramjet as the evening’s main entertainment. They have been one of Queensland’s premiere covers acts for the last 11 years. Playing shows and events all-over South-East Queensland. With a massive repertoire that is always expanding, Ramjet cover a wide range of musical styles and eras, including rock, pop, hip-hop, R&B, funk, punk, grunge and hard rock, ranging from classics to the latest hits.

Joining Ramjet will be a welcoming acoustic set by Tahlia Connie. Tahlia began her solo career right here in the Whitsundays. She worked fulltime for 3 years performing for corporate functions and weddings on the Whitsunday Islands, including qualia on Hamilton Island and Hayman Island. After deciding to leave the Whitsundays July 2017, she travelled around the world for 5 months singing her way through Thailand, Vietnam, Bali, Cambodia, Italy and Montreal & New York to name a few.

Daydream Island Resort’s Director of Sales and Marketing Jayson Heron believes this will be a great opportunity to welcome so many local operators back to the refurbished island resort.

“Daydream Island has long been a local favourite in the Whitsundays, we are looking forward to welcoming many Whitsundays operators to the island to enjoy the beautiful refurbishment Daydream Island has undergone”.

Nominations are open for any Tourism Whitsundays member to enter the Whitsunday Tourism Awards. Having streamlined the submission process, thanks to Queensland Tourism Industry Council (QTIC) opening the Queensland portal to the Whitsundays. This streamlined process allows anyone entering the Whitsunday awards to use the same nomination to enter

the Queensland awards – twice the opportunity for one entry. Queensland nominations through QTIC close on 31 May and the Whitsundays nominations close 14 June.

Do you have an outstanding Young Achiever in your business? Don't forget to nominate them for the Young Achiever Award <<https://www.tourismwhitsundays.com.au/images/2019-Whitsunday-Tourism-Awards/2019-Whitsunday-Tourism-Awards-Categories/27-Young-acheived-Awards-2019.pdf>>

Tourism Whitsunday would also like to recognize our event sponsors, Whitsunday Transit, Brisbane Airport Corporation, Expedia, Lion Australia and Paradise Outdoor Advertising without your generosity this important event could not take place. If you are interested in sponsorship in this event please contact Aimee Cameron <aimee.cameron@tourismwhitsundays.com.au>

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About Tourism Whitsundays: *Tourism Whitsundays (TW) is the organisation responsible for destination marketing and visitor attraction for the Whitsunday region. It is the lead agency recognised by Tourism and Events Queensland and the Whitsunday Regional Council to lead the promotion of the region as a tourism destination. Tourism Whitsundays markets all aspects of the region including the Great Barrier Reef, Whitsunday Islands and Coast, accommodation, boating and sailing, fishing, touring, recreational activities, adventure, dining, shopping, weddings and honeymoons, conferencing and business events.*

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